## **CLAIMS**

1	1. A coating applicator assembly for coating fasteners ends protruding
2	from a surface of a structure, the fasteners extending a specific distance
3	above the surface, the applicator assembly comprising:

- 4 a handle;
- a coating member made from open celled compressible foam having a coating transfer surface in a generally W shape.
- The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 1, wherein the central with the central notch of said W shape having and included angle of between 40 and 50 degrees and a depth of between 65 and 85 percent of the specific distance and the outer surfaces of the W shaped surface extending outward at an angle of between 40 and 50 degrees and the depth of coating member is at least 4 times the depth of the central notch.
- The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 2 wherein said foam is and open celled foam having a density of between 2 and 3 pounds per cubic foot.
- 1 4. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein:
- 2 said handle includes an axle:
- a drum rotatably mounted to said axles; and
- said coating member in the form of a ring mounted to said drum, the peripheral surface of said drum having said W shape.

- 5. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 4, wherein the central with the central notch of said W shape having an included angle of between 40 and 50 degrees and a depth of between 65 and 85 percent of
- 4 the specific distance and the outer surfaces of the W shaped surface
- 5 extending outward at an angle of between 40 and 50 degrees and the depth
- of coating member is at least 4 times the depth of the central notch.
- 1 6. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 5 wherein said
- 2 foam is and open celled foam having a density of between 2 and 3 pounds
- 3 per cubic foot.
- 1 7. A coating applicator assembly for coating fasteners ends protruding
- 2 from a surface of a structure, the fasteners extending a specific distance
- 3 above the surface, the applicator assembly comprising:
- 4 a handle;
- 5 a coating member made from open celled compressible foam; and
- a syringe mounted to said handle, said syringe having a nozzle having
- an outlet port positioned to provide coating material to said coating transfer
- 3 surface.
- 1 8. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 7 comprising
- 2 said coating member having a having a coating transfer surface in a
- 3 generally W shape.
- 1 9. The coating applicator as set forth in claim 8 wherein said syringe is
- 2 releasably mounted to said handle.

- 1 10. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 9, wherein the
- 2 central width of the central notch of said W shape having and included angle
- 3 of between 40 and 50 degrees and a depth of between 65 and 85 percent of
- 4 the specific distance and the outer surfaces of the W shaped surface
- 5 extending outward at an angle of between 40 and 50 degrees and the depth
- of coating member is at least 4 times the depth of the central notch.
- 1 11. The coating applicator assembly of claim 10 wherein said output port
- 2 of said nozzle is aligned with notch and the axis of rotation of said coating
- 3 member.
- 1 12. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 11 wherein said
- 2 foam is and open celled foam having a density of between 2 and 3 pounds
- 3 per cubic foot.
- 1 13. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 12 wherein:
- 2 said handle includes an axle;
- a drum rotatably mounted to said axles; and
- said coating member in the form of a ring mounted to said drum, the
- 5 peripheral surface of said drum having said W shape.
- 1 14. The coating applicator assembly as set forth in claim 13 wherein said
- 2 foam is and open celled foam having a density of between 2 and 3 pounds
- 3 per cubic foot.
- 1 15. The coating applicator as set forth in claim 7, or 8, or 9, or 10, or 11,
- 2 or 12, or 13, or 14, comprising:
- means to pressurize said syringe; and
- 4 a valve positioned between said output port of said syringe and said
- 5 nozzle for controlling the flow of the coating material.